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In complying with 37 CFR 1.143, the applicants would like to indicate a provisional election of the invention for claims 1-17 in response to the Office Action mailed on January 25, 2005.

The applicants respectfully request the examiner to reconsider the current Election/Restrictions requirement, since the applicants have observed many granted U.S. patents in this field with claims on both optical switches and optical cross-connect switches. However, if the applicants' request is deemed unfavorable, the applicants would like to seek any constructive suggestions from the examiner in order to overcome the restrictions imposed on the claims 18-23. And, if the examiner's constructive suggestions can reach the applicants prior to the first official action, it would be appreciated.

Any inquiry or future communication to the applicants can be directed to Seungug Koh and he can be reached on (408) 739-8120 or seungug_koh@sbcglobal.net.

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